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1. TECHNICAL TEAM MENTIONED REFTEL WILL CONSIST OF KENNARD STEPHENS, CEP/FAS, USDA, GERON RATHELL, FMD, COTTON/FAS, USDA, AND JOSEPH WILLIAMS, EB/FTD, STATE.

2. FOR BANGKOK: ACTIVITIES OF TEAM IN BANGKOK WILL OF COURSE BE QUITE DIFFERENT THAN ITS ROLE IN OTHER COUNTRIES VISITED. IN BANGKOK, TEAM WILL WISH TO CONSULT WITH EMBASSY TO OBTAIN LATEST VIEWS AS TO STATUS COTTON CONTRACT PROBLEM AND MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS TO DEAL WITH IT. BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT THAT ADEQUATE APPOINTMENTS BE MADE WITH THAI OFFICIALS AND INDUSTRY LEADERS. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ARRANGING. HOPE SCHEDULE FOR BANGKOK IS FEASIBLE SINCE THERE APPEARS TO

BE NO ADEQUATE ALTERNATIVE DATES FOR TEAM.

3. SPECIFIC ITINERARY FOR TEAM FOLLOWS:

ARRIVE	-----	-----	LEAVE
TOKYO	1700 HRS.	APR 20 NW ORIENT 3	- 1415 APR 21
SEOUL	1625 HRS.	APR 21 CATHAY PACIFIC 450-	1445 APR 27
MANILA	2215 HRS.	APR 27 QANTAS 275	- 1825 MAY 1
BANGKOK	2020 HRS.	MAY 1 SABENA 274	- 1300 MAY 4
TAIPEI	1835 HRS.	MAY 4 CHINA AIR 804	- 1230 MAY 10

4. PLEASE ARRANGE RESERVATIONS AT FOLLOWING HOTELS IF POSSIBLE:

TOKYO - NEW JAPAN	TAIPEI - EMPRESS
SEOUL - CHOSUN	MANILA - HYATT REGENCY
BANGKOK - ERAWAN	

5. IN ADDITION TO TEAM MENTIONED PARA 1. THREE REPRESENTATIVES OF COTTON EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION WILL BE IN CAPITALS AT SAME TIME AND ALSO REQUEST RESERVATIONS AT HOTELS LISTED PARA 3. NAMES OF REPRESENTATIVES ARE: VICTOR FRIEDMAN, SAMUEL REEVES (ACCOMPANIED BY WIFE) AND JACK FROST.

6. FOR MANILA: TEAM WILL BE VISITING MANILA ON DATES
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SUGGESTED IN MANILA 4473. SINCE U.S. SHIPPERS HERE HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF TEAM'S TRAVEL SCHEDULE, EMBASSY WILL WANT TO CLEAR DATES WITH GOP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. KISSINGER

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